

## SHE TOOK TO DRINK.

Blaine's Former Private Secretary Now a Dishwasher in a Haverhill Restaurant.

New York, Sept. 19.—A pitiful story of downfall comes from Haverhill, Mass. There was a bright, open-hearted and pleasant girl who was private secretary to James G. Blaine. To-day a physical wreck, broken down mentally, and with no social standing, she earns her daily bread by washing dishes and doing other work in a Haverhill restaurant. In the pretty village of Gardiner, Maine, on the banks of the swift-flowing Kennebec, she passed the days of her childhood. The public schools of her native town furnished her early education, and she was sent to a seminary, where she was graduated with honors. Her parents were wealthy and held a high social position. She was the belle of the village, and a bright future opened up before her.

When she was twenty-three years of age she became private secretary to the famous Blaine. James G. Blaine. As she became a general favorite in society, and there was many people in Washington to-day who should I mention her name, would at once recognize this brilliant woman. At one time her name frequently appeared in society journals as a leader of fashionable watering places, and on many well-known occasions of national importance she was present as a special guest.

But society was her ruin. In her early days she had one lover, a bright and promising young man who now lives on the river in Bradford, and fills an important position in the manufacturing world. Their engagement was announced about the time she became secretary to Mr. Blaine. But the demands of society led her away from her lover, and it was not long ere the engagement was broken by her. That was many years ago, and now comes the dark side of the story.

One night last winter a well-known gentleman of Bradford was on his way home. The wind was blowing a gale, and the storm was increasing every minute. He saw an object down near the river bank, and on investigation it proved to be a woman, who, shivering and apparently the worse for liquor, was wandering aimlessly about. The man took her to his home, and his wife cared for her. This woman was the girl who had been the private secretary of Mr. Blaine. As soon as she was in condition to do so she told her story.

Why had she come to Haverhill? Simply to see once more the boy lover whom she had jilted in the Pine Tree State. In her pocket she had one of his letters, written years ago, and it seems she had carried it with her for many years. When private secretary she had been the height of drinking wines at parties and other social events. Wine had done something stronger, and finally she was in a situation with Mr. Blaine. The habit of drink was strong, and she went from her position in society. Of the years she has supported herself as she could, doing housework and the like.

The man who loved her in the years of youth, and whom she came to see, called her, and was affected to tears at the sight of the heart's ideal of his younger days. The woman is now working in a restaurant. She has wealthy relatives in Dover, N. H., and her father is in prosperous circumstances in Brighton.

Report on the Chateaufort Accident.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21.—President Simonson of the Toledo, Peoria and Western, has filed with the state railroad commission official reports of the Chateaufort accident. The document says nothing of circumstances under which the train was wrecked, nor does it attempt to locate the responsibility for the wreck. The report estimates from the number of persons on board that there were 241 persons in the train, of whom eighty were killed, the number injured as given as 151, who were employees of the road, 140 and two passengers have recovered from their injuries, and thirty-three are still under the care of physicians. Five or four are not free from danger of complications.

Dignified State of Affairs.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 18.—The grand jury of Charleston have brought to light a disgraceful condition of affairs in that city. Their investigation shows that perjury is a certain section of the city. White women are openly living with negroes and negro women with white men. On one plantation eight cases are reported. The owner, a well-to-do white man, has been indicted for living in adultery with a negro woman, and in other seven cases were against his farm hands for living with white women.

Another Grudge.

The following incident goes to show that the bitterness between Jay Gould and Cyrus Field has not yet died out:

Jay Gould recently became a grand juror.

A few days after the important event a street man happened to meet Cyrus Field, who still sore over his transaction with the baby's grandpère.

"Ah, Mr. Field, there is another Gould in the business, so to speak," said the street man.

"No I hear," remarked Field absently.

"They say it's a due boy—a regular little man."

"Regular little man, is he?" remarked Field, cynically. "If he remembers his grandfather he is about as small a man as I ever had anything to do with."

Scene at Ex-convicts.

London, Lancet.

No one can pity the despicable coward who, having murdered his victim in cold blood, crouches in horror before the scaffold upon which the penalty of the crime is to be paid, but it is creditable to our administration of justice that the execution of the last dread sentence of law should be the occasion of a scene which the malefactor has to be "half-dressed and half-carried by five warders."

This document, and when on the scaffold struggles so violently that the executioner has difficulty in performing his hideous duty and is "quite unnerved." We can desire that the punishment of death—long as it is inflicted for deterrent purposes—should be shorn of its terrors by the public mind; but we do most certainly think that there should be no room for occasion for scandal in a scandal that the victim should be able to recoil against. Electricity and the lethal chamber have been again and again suggested as alternative modes of putting

murderers to death. The authorities do not, it would appear, feel justified in adopting either of these expedients. We confess that our sympathies are with those who entertain a fear lest luxurious and easy modes of execution might deprive the gallows of the very little moral influence it at present exerts. Meanwhile it must not be forgotten that something is due to the sentiment of humanity which is supposed to pervade that section of the nation which is not, at least overtly, criminal.

## AFTER THE ROBBERS.

The Gang Under John Barbour Believed to be Making for the Colorado Mountains.

Special to the Gazette.

LIBERTY HILL, Tex., Sept. 21.—The outlaws mentioned in yesterday's special are still at large, although making no effort to leave the vicinity. It looks as if they came here for a purpose, and are intent upon fulfilling it, even in the face of the law. After taking the horses from Mr. Schooley, they proceeded in the direction of Florence and last night took a saddle from one Perry, living four miles from here on the Florence road. The rangers all the while sought in the trail with all the skill and cunning of the south-bound and at night fall were close upon the fugitives, but darkness prevented them making the capture. After traveling some ten miles east of here the robbers doubled on the trail and came back to within two miles of the place where the fight occurred on the 19th and were met this evening seven miles south of here by J. W. Cox, who was herding stock, and relieved him of his provisions and tobacco and instructed him to pull his freight and keep mum. Mr. Cox rode to Leander, the nearest telegraph office and notified Officer Connell of this place who had just returned from the search for a fresh horse. Deputy Connell and a posse of citizens from here and Leander are now on their trail and only two hours behind them. The robbers are making for the Colorado mountains in which they were hiding when routed by the rangers. The whole community is under arms and none feel safe even in their homes.

## LYNCHED AT KILDARE.

The Daughter of a Prominent Citizen Outraged by a Bird Man.

Special to the Gazette.

JEFFERSON, Tex., Sept. 21.—A telephone message this morning from Kildare, a few miles east of Jefferson, communicated the news of a most heinous crime and swift vengeance to its perpetrator. Mr. Garrett, one of Kildare's worthy citizens, had gone to Queen City on some business and during the night a German in his employ entered the room of his daughter and raped her. Two alarm was soon given and the brute was captured and immediately hanged to a limb. It is said the young lady is badly hurt.

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## ON CHANGE.

Spot Cotton Fractions and Futures from Two to Three Points Lower—The Money Market was Easy.

Wheat Fluctuated Narrowly During the Day and Closed at an Advance—Live Stock Transactions Brisk.

Daily Review.

GAZETTE OFFICE, FORT WORTH, TEX., Sept. 21, 1927.

Trade was fairly active to-day.

Cotton receipts were nearly 200 bales; prices ranging from 7 1/2 to 8 1/2.

Bears have advanced sharply.

COTTON.

On the face of quotations this week spots show a considerable decline while contracts are slightly advanced. The former condition is explained by freer offerings. The pressure of the new crop movement has relieved whatever uneasiness might have existed over the supply available during the present month. In view of these circumstances spots have declined and are nearer on a parity with futures. The business done in spots was about fair. In futures more has been done and values are slightly stronger on the work. The receipt of the usual crop reports on Saturday was productive of a slight upward movement. The course of values here and since, however, tends to confirm the idea that much of the advance of those reports has been disclosed before publication. In fact the showing made while indicating a considerable decline in condition had evidently not exceeded the general expectation.

—Bradstreet's.

The Fort Worth Markets.

BUTTER—12 1/2 per lb.; creamery 25c.

COTTON—7 1/2 to 8 1/2.

EGGS—12 1/2 per dozen; prime 20c; choice 25c; Lakeland 20c; Java 30c; Golden 30c; Pea 25c.

CHEESE—The better grades and Ohio factory 15c; full cream 14c; 1 lb. 10c.

CABBAGE—California, 40c per 100 lbs.

CANNED GOODS—Price per dozen: Pineapple, standard, 2 1/2; peaches, standard, 2 1/2; strawberries, 2 1/2; blackberries, 2 1/2; green corn, 2 1/2; peas, 2 1/2; tomatoes, standard, 2 1/2; 1 lb. 10c; 2 1/2; 3 1/2; 4 1/2; green corn, 1 1/2; 2 1/2; 3 1/2; 4 1/2; 5 1/2; 6 1/2; 7 1/2; 8 1/2; 9 1/2; 10 1/2; 11 1/2; 12 1/2; 13 1/2; 14 1/2; 15 1/2; 16 1/2; 17 1/2; 18 1/2; 19 1/2; 20 1/2; 21 1/2; 22 1/2; 23 1/2; 24 1/2; 25 1/2; 26 1/2; 27 1/2; 28 1/2; 29 1/2; 30 1/2; 31 1/2; 32 1/2; 33 1/2; 34 1/2; 35 1/2; 36 1/2; 37 1/2; 38 1/2; 39 1/2; 40 1/2; 41 1/2; 42 1/2; 43 1/2; 44 1/2; 45 1/2; 46 1/2; 47 1/2; 48 1/2; 49 1/2; 50 1/2; 51 1/2; 52 1/2; 53 1/2; 54 1/2; 55 1/2; 56 1/2; 57 1/2; 58 1/2; 59 1/2; 60 1/2; 61 1/2; 62 1/2; 63 1/2; 64 1/2; 65 1/2; 66 1/2; 67 1/2; 68 1/2; 69 1/2; 70 1/2; 71 1/2; 72 1/2; 73 1/2; 74 1/2; 75 1/2; 76 1/2; 77 1/2; 78 1/2; 79 1/2; 80 1/2; 81 1/2; 82 1/2; 83 1/2; 84 1/2; 85 1/2; 86 1/2; 87 1/2; 88 1/2; 89 1/2; 90 1/2; 91 1/2; 92 1/2; 93 1/2; 94 1/2; 95 1/2; 96 1/2; 97 1/2; 98 1/2; 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